



DOE Former Worker Medical Screening Program

SOUTH CAROLINA

Savannah River Site Former Workers

Population Being Served

The Savannah River Site (SRS), located near Aiken, South Carolina, was built in the early 1950s to process tritium and plutonium-239 for the production of nuclear materials. The original site had five nuclear reactors, two chemical-separation facilities, a heavy water extraction plant, a nuclear fuel and target fabrication plant, and waste management facilities. Since 1981, all reactors have been shut down and environmental clean up activities have begun. Currently, SRS is involved in nuclear materials stabilization, vitrification (glass formation) of nuclear waste, and radioactive operations at the Tritium Replacement Facility. Medical screening is provided to former workers from this site in two separate groups based on the type of work they performed, production or construction.

Organizations Providing Services

Former Production Workers – This project is being carried out by investigators from the Medical University of South Carolina and the University of South Carolina School of Medicine.

Former Construction Workers – This project is conducted by the Center to Protect Workers' Rights, an applied occupational health research and development center of the Building and Construction Trades Department of the AFL-CIO, in partnership with Duke University Medical Center, the University of Cincinnati Medical Center, and Zenith Administrators.

Current Status of the Program

Projects serving both the former production and construction workers from this site started in 1997 and are ongoing.

Contact Information

Former Production Workers from this DOE site who wish to receive screening are asked to call toll free at 1-866-300-9335.

Former Construction Workers from this DOE site who wish to receive screening are asked to call toll free at 1-800-866-9663. Further information on this project can be found at: <http://www.btmed.org/>.

Further information on the DOE Former Worker Medical Screening Program can be found at: <http://www.hss.energy.gov/healthsafety/fwsp/formerworkermed/>.